

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

Student Professional Development Program

2016-2017 Academic Year

Complete this form for each discipline to be placed at this agency:

Service
Area

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☐ Psychology

☐ Practicum

☐ Externship

☐ Internship

☒ Social Work

☐ Specialization : _____

☐ Macro/Administrative

☐ Nursing

☐ Marriage Family Therapist

☐ Occupational Therapy

☐ Other (specify): _____

DMH Agency:	Emergency Outreach Bureau (EOB), Psychiatric Mobile Response Team (PMRT) - SA 5
DMH Agency Address:	11303 W. Washington Blvd., 2 nd Floor, EOB 015 Los Angeles, CA 90066
DMH Agency Liaison:	Monica Rodriguez-Finston, LCSW
New or Returning:	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Returning
Liaison Email Address:	mrodriguezfinston@dmh.lacounty.gov
Liaison Phone Number:	310-482-3260
Liaison Fax Number:	310-313-0768
Agency ADA accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No" identify:

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	2
Beginning and ending dates:	9/2015 – 7/2016

Student Schedule:

<i>Please indicate days and times students should be available to provide services, including mandatory staff meetings (SM), training seminars (TR), supervision (SUP), etc.</i>	
Monday	8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
Tuesday	
Wednesday	8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
Thursday	
Friday	8:30 AM – 5:00 PM (1/2 day)

Total hours expected to be worked per week:	20
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	10 FTF/other
Expected average consumer caseload:	Short term only; 5 – 10 (follow-up only)
What cultural groups typically received services at your site?	55%-Caucasian; 12%-Hispanic; 20%-Asian; 7%-African American

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Description of Site: *(Please describe the type of Agency setting and services offered)*

The PMRT is a multidisciplinary, multicultural, and multilingual team providing psych emergency services to minors/adults who are suicidal, homicidal, or gravely disabled as a result of a mental disorder. This is a field-based program focused exclusively on diagnostic assessment, crisis intervention, suicide and violence threat risk assessment. Teams are deployed based on call acuity. Triage includes a violence risk assessment and PMRT utilized local law enforcement agencies to assist when indicated. PMRT exposes students to acutely decompensated individuals across the age and ethnic spectrum. Students are offered the opportunity to conduct interviews with the client, family or third party and actively participate in the process of involuntary psychiatric hospitalization or the development of alternative plans to hospitalization. Students also learn how to case manage and monitor high risk individuals.

Target population and types of services provided: *(please check all that apply)*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals	<input type="checkbox"/> Psychoeducational groups (e.g. Parenting)
<input type="checkbox"/> Groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach
<input type="checkbox"/> Families	<input type="checkbox"/> Brief treatment to mid-term treatment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children & Adolescents	<input type="checkbox"/> Long term treatment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Older Adults	<input type="checkbox"/> Screening and Assessment
<input type="checkbox"/> Court/Probation referred	<input type="checkbox"/> Psych Testing <i>(For psychology students only)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultation/Liaison	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify):</i>

What are the most frequent diagnostic categories of your client population?

All Axis I and II

What specific (perhaps unique) training opportunities do students have at your agency?

Field Safety; Non-Violent Intervention, other required trainings; most trainings offered by the DMH that are appropriately related to internship

What evidence based practices or theoretical orientations will students be exposed to at this site?

School Threat Assessment; Crisis Intervention

Do students have the opportunity to work in a multidisciplinary team environment that includes those with lived experience?

Yes and yes

List locations where students will be providing services **other than agency?**

Intern may need to travel with team to other service areas when needed

Does your agency allow students to videotape and/or audiotape clients for the purpose of presenting cases in their academic classes? Yes ☐ No ☒

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Supervision:

What types of supervision will be provided for the students and what is the licensure/discipline of the supervisor? Please specify below.

Type	Hours Per Week	On Site Supervisor Degree/Discipline
Individual:	1	MSW, LCSW
Group:	2 x month	Psychologist

What is the minimum ratio of supervision to client contact hours?

Consultation ongoing

Does your agency require a particular range of previous experience or specific prerequisite coursework? *If so please explain.*

No

Agency Application Process

Mandatory requirements: *Only students from academic institutions who have a current affiliation agreement with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health may be extended a placement opportunity. All students are processed through Human Resources Bureau. All prospective interns must obtain live scan clearance. All interns are required to complete a mandatory HIPAA Compliance and Sexual Harassment Prevention Training (for line staff) as part as the terms of their internship.*

DMH Staff completing this form: Monica Rodriguez-Finston, LCSW Title: MH Clinical Supervisor

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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